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## Corn for Grain – 1999 Crop

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**Yuma County** maintained its long standing position as the state's leading corn for grain producing area by producing 34,940,000 bushels in 1999. The latest output was 9 percent smaller than the 38,350,000 bushels produced in 1998 but still represented nearly 22 percent of the state's total output of 159.04 million bushels. Producers in Yuma County planted 219,700 acres of corn for all purposes in 1999 and harvested 215,000 acres for grain. The county's planted and harvested acres were the highest in the state. The average yield of 162.5 bushels per acre from the 1999 crop was 4.0 bushels below a year earlier.

**Kit Carson County** ranked a distant second in 1999 with a total output of 22,530,000 bushels. The latest crop was 5 percent smaller than the 23,630,000 bushels produced a year earlier. The 174,600 acres planted in the county was the second largest in the state. The 170,000 acres harvested for grain was also the second largest in the state and was 15,000 acres higher than the 155,000 acres harvested for grain in 1998. The average yield of 132.5 bushels per acre was 20.0 bushels per acre below the 1998 average of 152.5 bushels.

**Weld County** ranked third with a total output of 18,070,000 bushels produced in 1999. Last year's crop was 7 percent larger than the 16,860,000 bushels produced in 1998. Weld County growers planted 157,200 acres of corn for all purposes, the third highest planted acreage of corn for all purposes in the state. The 110,000 acres harvested for grain was also the third largest in the state. Producers averaged 164.5 bushels per acre from the 1999 crop compared with 146.5 bushel average yield from the 1998 crop. Weld county producers also harvested 45,000 acres of corn for silage in 1999 and was the leading silage producing county in the state.

**Phillips County** kept its fourth place ranking in 1999 with a total output of 13,960,000 bushels. The 1999 crop was 2 percent below the 13,650,000 bushels produced in 1998. Producers harvested 110,000 acres of corn for grain in 1999 compared with 108,000 acres a year earlier. In addition, the average yield of 127.0 bushels per acre for the 1999 crop was 0.5 bushels above the 1998 average.

**Morgan County** ranked fifth in grain corn production with a total output of 12,733,000 bushels, up 12 percent from the 11,410,000 bushels produced the previous year. The harvested area of 80,000 acres was up 5,000 acres from a year earlier and the average yield of 159.0 bushels per acre was 7.0 bushels above the 1998 average.

The **top five counties** produced 102,233,000 bushels of grain corn in 1999, representing 64 percent of the state's total corn for grain crop. Those same counties produced 67 percent of the 1998 crop. The next five leading counties of **Logan, Sedgwick, Washington, Baca, and Cheyenne** had a combined output of 35,290,000 bushels, bringing the top ten county total to 137,523,000 bushels or 86 percent of the state's total corn for grain production in 1999. Each of the counties of Prowers, Otero, Bent, Larimer, Lincoln, Montrose and Pueblo also produced more than a million bushels in 1999.

The state's total crop of 159,040,000 bushels in 1999 was 3 percent higher than the 1998 output of 155,150,000 bushels. The harvested area of 1,120,000 acres was 50,000 acres above the previous year. The 1999 yield of 142.0 bushels per acre was 3.0 bushel per acre below the 1998 average of 145.0 bushels per acre.

**Weld County** is the state's leading producing area for **corn silage**. Weld County producers harvested 45,000 acres and produced 1,154,000 tons of silage, representing 48 percent of the state's total output of 2,400,000 tons of corn silage in 1999. **Morgan County** was a distant second with 11,000 acres harvested and 257,000 tons of production. **Montrose** and **Washington** each harvested 5,000 acres and each produced 129,000 tons of corn silage to tie for third place. **Larimer County** was the next largest corn silage producer with an output of 110,000 tons of silage from 4,500 acres harvested and was followed by **Logan County** with 93,000 tons harvested from 5,000 acres. These **top six counties** accounted for 1,872,000 tons or 78 percent of the state's total output of corn silage in 1999.

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Corn for Grain: Acreage and production by county and district, Colorado, 1999

County and District	Acreage planted <u>1</u> /	Irrigated			Non-Irrigated			Total		
		Acreage har- vested	Yield per acre	Pro- duc- tion	Acreage har- vested	Yield per acre	Pro- duc- tion	Acreage har- vested	Yield per acre	Pro- duc- tion
	Acres	Acres	Bu.	Bu.	Acres	Bu.	Bu.	Acres	Bu.	Bu.
Chaffee . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clear Creek ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Eagle . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gilpin . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grand . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gunnison ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jackson . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lake . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moffat . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Park . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pitkin . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rio Blanco ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Routt . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Summit . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Teller . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
NW & Mountain	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Boulder . . . . .	6,500	5,000	140.0	700,000	...	...	...	5,000	140.0	700,000
Jefferson . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Larimer . . . . .	19,700	14,000	153.5	2,150,000	1,000	57.0	57,000	15,000	147.0	2,207,000
Logan . . . . .	91,500	59,000	146.5	8,650,000	26,000	67.0	1,740,000	85,000	122.0	10,390,000
Morgan . . . . .	91,600	72,000	171.0	12,300,000	8,000	54.0	433,000	80,000	159.0	12,733,000
Sedgwick . . . . .	57,500	35,000	171.5	6,000,000	20,000	70.0	1,400,000	55,000	134.5	7,400,000
Weld . . . . .	157,200	105,000	169.5	17,800,000	5,000	54.0	270,000	110,000	164.5	18,070,000
Northeast	424,000	290,000	164.0	47,600,000	60,000	65.0	3,900,000	350,000	147.0	51,500,000
Adams . . . . .	11,600	3,000	150.0	450,000	8,000	56.5	450,000	11,000	82.0	900,000
Arapahoe ...	2,900	500	140.0	70,000	2,000	55.0	110,000	2,500	72.0	180,000
Cheyenne ...	35,300	17,000	172.5	2,930,000	18,000	56.5	1,020,000	35,000	113.0	3,950,000
Denver . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Douglas . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Elbert . . . . .	2,000	...	...	...	2,000	55.0	110,000	2,000	55.0	110,000
El Paso . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kiowa . . . . .	12,500	500	160.0	80,000	12,000	72.5	870,000	12,500	76.0	950,000
Kit Carson ...	174,600	108,000	162.0	17,500,000	62,000	81.0	5,030,000	170,000	132.5	22,530,000
Lincoln . . . . .	22,000	4,000	142.5	570,000	18,000	74.0	1,330,000	22,000	86.5	1,900,000
Phillips . . . . .	112,400	64,000	165.5	10,600,000	46,000	73.0	3,360,000	110,000	127.0	13,960,000
Washington .	70,000	28,000	164.5	4,610,000	37,000	62.5	2,310,000	65,000	106.5	6,920,000
Yuma . . . . .	219,700	200,000	171.0	34,190,000	15,000	50.0	750,000	215,000	162.5	34,940,000
East Central	663,000	425,000	167.0	71,000,000	220,000	69.5	15,340,000	645,000	134.0	86,340,000
Archuleta ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Delta . . . . .	5,500	3,500	177.0	620,000	...	...	...	3,500	177.0	620,000
Dolores . . . . .	300	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Garfield . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hinsdale ....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
La Plata . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mesa . . . . .	7,500	5,000	152.0	760,000	...	...	...	5,000	152.0	760,000
Montezuma ..	1,700	1,500	153.5	230,000	...	...	...	1,500	153.5	230,000
Montrose ...	15,200	10,000	159.0	1,590,000	...	...	...	10,000	159.0	1,590,000
Ouray . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
San Juan ....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
San Miguel ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Southwest	30,200	20,000	160.0	3,200,000	...	...	...	20,000	160.0	3,200,000
Alamosa . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Conejos . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Costilla . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mineral . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rio Grande ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Saguache ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
San Luis Valley	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Baca . . . . .	38,000	32,000	199.0	6,370,000	5,000	52.0	260,000	37,000	179.0	6,630,000
Bent . . . . .	15,500	14,000	203.0	2,840,000	...	...	...	14,000	203.0	2,840,000
Crowley . . . . .	2,600	2,500	128.0	320,000	...	...	...	2,500	128.0	320,000
Custer . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fremont . . . . .	1,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Huerfano ....	200	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Las Animas ..	700	500	140.0	70,000	...	...	...	500	140.0	70,000
Otero . . . . .	22,000	20,000	165.5	3,310,000	...	...	...	20,000	165.5	3,310,000
Prowers . . . . .	26,500	20,000	164.0	3,280,000	5,000	68.0	340,000	25,000	145.0	3,620,000
Pueblo . . . . .	6,300	6,000	201.5	1,210,000	...	...	...	6,000	201.5	1,210,000
Southeast	112,800	95,000	183.0	17,400,000	10,000	60.0	600,000	105,000	171.5	18,000,000
State Total	1,230,000	830,000	167.5	139,200,000	290,000	68.5	19,840,000	1,120,000	142.0	159,040,000

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